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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Senator Suttle. I have several lights on. Senator Suttle, do you wish to close? She waives closing. Question before the body is the advancement of LB 398A. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 398A.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: LB 398A advances. Mr. Clerk, we next move to General File. LB 462.

CLERK: LB 462, by Senator Dwite Pedersen, relates to abortion. (Read title.) The bill was introduced in January, discussed yesterday, Mr. President. When the Legislature adjourned, Senator Chambers had pending AM0348 to the bill and AM0171 as an amendment to AM0348. (Legislative Journal page 1455.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Pedersen, could you just give us a brief, very brief summary of the bill, where it's at.

SENATOR DW. PEDERSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the Legislature, as we spent the whole day, yesterday, on LB 462, we start out today also with the debate about the use of fetal tissue from elective abortions to save the lives of others. It is a very contentious issue, but I was very pleased with the debate yesterday as the intelligent people have kept this debate very civil, and I hope we will do the same today. Let us not forget that being about the people's work that there are those of us who are very concerned about our tax dollars going for something we do not believe in. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: We're now debating the Chambers amendment to AM0348. The speaking order, Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, a story was told in the Lincoln Journal Star recently. This is a retired insurance salesman, Lincoln; his name is Ted Simonson. Said, I would like to share my personal view of the controversy surrounding the use of fetal cell tissue and embryonic stem cell research at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. My